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FROM UNDER SECRETARY MAW FOR CHARGE

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PLOS

SUBJECT: LOS: GOA REPRESENTATION AT COMMITTEE I

REF: STATE 014613

1. AS NOTED REFTTEL, THERE WILL BE MEETING ON COMMITTEE I

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(DEEP SEABED REGIME AND MACHINERY) ISSUES IN NEW YORK

BEGINNING FEB. 2. THIS IS IN DIRECT CONSEQUENCE OF MEETING IN NEW YORK OF COMMITTEE I IN NOVEMBER, 1975, CHAIRED BY ELY LAUTERPACHT OF AUSTRALIA. LAUTERPACHT WAS SELECTED TO CHAIR THIS GROUP BY COMMITTEE I CHAIRMAN PAUL ENGO (CAMEROON).

2. WE CONSIDER IT IMPORTANT THAT LAUTERPACHT ATTEND NEW YORK SESSION. LAUTERPACHT DID OUTSTANDING JOB AS CHAIRMAN OF INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS IN NEW YORK IN NOVEMBER. HE WAS ABLE TO GAIN CONFIDENCE OF KEY PARTICIPATING DELEGATIONS AS WELL AS ENGO WHO HAS CLEARLY COME TO RELY STRONGLY ON LAUTERPACHT. ONE OF PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVES AT FEBRUARY SESSION IS TO WORK OUT ARRANGEMENT FOR REDRAFTING SINGLE NEGOTIATING TEXT ON DEEP SEABED ISSUES. BEST CANDIDATE TO DO THIS JOB IS LAUTERPACHT (IF, AS WE EXPECT, CHRISTOPHER PINTO OF SRI LANKA CANNOT ATTEND MEETING). WE HOPE THAT MEETING WILL RESULT IN LAUTERPACHT BEING GIVEN RESPONSIBILITY FOR REVISING NEGOTIATING TEXT TO REFLECT

DISCUSSIONS IN NEW YORK. FOR THAT, IT WOULD BE NECESSARY THAT LAUTERPACHT PARTICIPATE IN NEW YORK MEETINGS.

3. YOU ARE REQUESTED TO MAKE ABOVE POINTS TO GOA OFFICIALS, IF POSSIBLE, TO DFA SECRETARY RENOUF, URGING THAT LAUTERPACHT BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND NEW YORK MEETING. YOU SHOULD INDICATE THAT LAUTERPACHT IS AT PRESENT THE ONLY LIKELY CANDIDATE TO DO CRITICAL REDRAFTING OF SINGLE NEGOTIATING TEXT BETWEEN INTERSESSIONAL COMMITTEE I MEETING IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH LOS SESSION. IF NO WORK IS DONE ON THIS DRAFT, PROGRESS AT MARCH CONFERENCE WILL BE SERIOUSLY DELAYED. SISCO

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